

IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 15, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 17, as follows:

In the exemplary screen shown in FIG. 4, the personal computer 1 holds content “pops1” and content “pops2” in directory ~~“\MUSIC \POPS”~~ “\MUSIC \POPS” and the PDA 2 holds content “rock1” and content “rock2” in directory ~~“\AUDIO \ROCK”~~ “\AUDIO \ROCK.”

At page 21, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 13 as follows:

FIG. 5 shows one example of the content information recorded in the content database 76. A piece of content of which content ID is “AAA” is recorded on a device (for example, the personal computer 1) of which device ID is “DDD,” the name of the content being “111” and its recording date being “YYMMDD.” For the piece of the content of which content ID is “AAA,” its authorized user is “UUU,” permitted copy count is 0, permitted movement count is 3, and permitted reproduction count is 10. The piece of content of which content ID is “AAA” is stored in a file of which file name is “audiol” recorded in a directory indicated by path ~~“\ROOT \AUDIO”~~ “\ROOT \AUDIO” on the device of which device ID is “DDD.”

At page 22, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 1 as follows:

A piece of content of which content ID is “BBB” is recorded on a device (for example, the PDA 2) of which device ID is “ddd,” name of the content being “222” and its recording date being “yymmdd.” For the piece of content of which content ID is “BBB,” its authorized user is “’uuu,” permitted copy count is 0, permitted movement count is 3, and permitted reproduction count is 10. The piece of content of which content ID is “BBB” is

stored in a file of which file name is audio2 recorded in a directory indicated by path ~~¥ROOT~~
~~¥AUDIO \ROOT \AUDIO~~ on the device of which device ID is “ddd.”

At page 33, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 7 as follows:

The display example shown in FIG. 14 indicates that the personal computer 1 is holding content “pops1” and content “pops2” in directory ~~“¥MUSIC ¥POPS”~~ “¥MUSIC \POPS” and the PDA 2 connected to the personal computer 1 is holding content “rock1” and “rock2” in directory ~~“¥AUDIO ¥ROCK.”~~ “¥AUDIO \ROCK.” The display example shown in FIG. 14 indicates that a device DDD (for example, a portable personal computer not shown) not connected to the personal computer 1 is holding content “audio1” and content “audio2” in directory ~~“¥ROOT ¥AUDIO.”~~ “¥ROOT \AUDIO.”

At page 40, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 7 as follows:

For the piece of content of which content ID is “AAA,” its authorized user is “UUU,” permitted copy count is 0, permitted movement count is 3, and permitted reproduction count is 10. The piece of content of which content ID is “AAA” is stored in a file of which file name is audio1 recorded in a directory indicated by path ~~¥ROOT ¥AUDIO ¥~~ ¥ROOT \AUDIO \ on the device of which device ID is “DDD.”

At page 40, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 12 as follows:

A piece of content of which content ID is “BBB” is recorded on a device of which device ID is “DDD,” name of the content being “222” and its recording data being “yymmdd.” For the piece of content of which content ID is “BBB,” its authorized user is “uuu,” permitted copy count is 0, permitted movement count is 3, and permitted reproduction

count is 10. The piece of content of which content ID is "BBB" is stored in a file of which file name is audio2 recorded in a directory indicated by path ~~¥ROOT¥AUDIO¥~~ \ROOT \AUDIO \ on the device of which device ID is "DDD."

At page 64, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 5 as follows:

The content identified with the content ID "0003" is recorded in the file having the name "image1" that is recorded in the directory the path of which is ~~¥ROOT¥IMAGE~~ \ROOT \IMAGE. Hence, the file name associated with the content ID "0003" is "~~¥ROOT ¥IMAGE ¥image1.~~" "\ROOT \IMAGE \image1."

At page 65, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 15 as follows:

The content identified with the content ID "0004" is recorded in the file having the name "audio3" that is recorded in the directory the path of which is ~~¥ROOT¥AUDIO~~ \ROOT \AUDIO. Hence, the file name associated with the content ID "0004" is ~~¥ROOT ¥AUDIO ¥audio3.~~ "\ROOT \AUDIO \audio3."

At page 67, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 3 as follows:

The content identified with the content ID "0005" is recorded in the file having the name "image2" that is recorded in the directory the path of which is ~~¥ROOT¥IMAGE~~ \ROOT \IMAGE. Hence, the file name associated with the content ID "0005" is "~~¥ROOT ¥IMAGE ¥image 2.~~" "\ROOT \IMAGE \image2."

At page 73, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 10 as follows:

In Step ~~S1106~~ S11006, the content management 222 updates the content information stored in the content database 224, based on the content information received from the personal computer 204. The process is then terminated.

Please amend the Abstract as shown on the following page.